

DANIELSON

Dr. J. B. Shannon Improving in Health
—Town Had Low Death Rate—L. J. Coburn Deposed—Prize Essays for High School Pupils.

D. E. Jette was in Boston Wednesday. There is gratification among his many friends here over the reported improvement in his health and the prospect of the ultimate return of Dr. James B. Shannon to Danielson.

Blanchette has a broken right arm as the result of a back-spring of the engine while he was attempting to crack a stalled automobile.

Fifty-five prisoners in jail. There are 55 prisoners at the county jail in Brooklyn at present, not a high number for the cold weather season, and far below what was formerly the average for the winter months.

Wednesday's rainstorm knocked the Christmas business flat in the stores of Danielson, although the merchants have been having a satisfactory holiday trade.

Postoffice Holiday Hours. The postoffice will be open from 8:30 a. m. to 12 m. and from 6:30 to 7:45 p. m. Christmas day. The rural carrier will serve the patrons on his route, but the money order and postal savings department will be closed for the day.

Banquet in Norwich the Reward. Employees of the S. N. E. T. company in the Danielson division are working hard to get three new subscribers each during the present month, that they may be rewarded by being the company's guests at a banquet to be given for them in Norwich in January.

The selection of Killingly are engaged in making the enrollment of those liable to pay a personal tax. A large number of those who come under this head are not voters.

Among improvements being made at the Brooklyn jail is the installation of new tubes in the boiler used for heating the institution, which is always kept in first class condition.

Yale Specials Christmas Day. The Danielson basketball team has arranged for what looks like a real game to be played here on Christmas day. The visiting team will be the Yale Specials, three variety men being included in the lineup, with two players from a crackjack Bridgeport team.

Low Death Rate. Killingly had one of the lowest death rates of any town in the state during the month of November. Only five died, this representing an annual mortality rate per thousand of 2.2 per cent. One of the deaths here was caused by pneumonia, the other four being listed under the head of all other diseases. There were eleven births and eight marriages in Killingly during October.

Depositors Not Uneasy. Of the persons who have the bulk of their savings tied up in the Windham County Savings bank, very few are being more than incidentally embarrassed at Christmas time on account of the fact. The deposits are safe and will be available some time, this circumstance making it easy for those who desire extra money to get it from many who are glad to accept passbooks as security or notes guaranteeing the amounts advanced.

COBURN DEPOSED. Former Head of Industrial Company Deposed as President of Connecticut Crushed Stone Company.

Lemuel J. Coburn, well known in Danielson, is again in the spotlight in Hartford. In a Hartford paper of Wednesday there appeared an account of his being deposed as president of the Connecticut Crushed Stone company at a meeting of the stockholders held Monday evening at the office of the company in Hartford.

The story says: "Two-thirds of the stockholders were represented in the meeting, according to a report given out by Treasurer H. E. Hall. The new board of directors elected L. H. Russell president of the company. "When asked as to why Mr. Coburn was deposed, the officers were unwilling to give any reason other than that matters had arrived at such a pass that the action was necessary, and they took it. They would not confirm the report that it was because Mr. Coburn had been selling his own stock to the injury of the treasury stock, the money for the latter being used for working capital by the company."

It was intimated, however, that a suit would be brought against Mr. Coburn, presumably to recover the stock of the company, and it should not be compelled to pay dividends on the remainder of the bonus of the stock in his possession.

The Connecticut Crushed Stone company has an office in Hartford and its plant between Berlin and Middletown at Beckley station on the Middletown branch. It is to get out stone for use in road building work. Coburn has had rather a spectacular career in Connecticut during the past ten years. He was the head of the Industrial and Manufacturing company that built the factories at Industrial place, which factories by a smiling turn of fate have come to be of surprisingly great value to Danielson, though for several years after they were built they were generally regarded as monuments to the most colossal piece of foolishness ever indulged in on a large scale by a supposedly sane and solid people of this and surrounding towns. Their many original investors lost more or less heavily in the local promotion scheme, in which scores of thousands of dollars were sunk, the factories built as the result of it have been the means of attracting a fine industry here, which now has a fat payroll and a fine list of employees who have already received in wages more than the amount lost in the promotion scheme—but the industry came long after the promoters had shifted to new fields of endeavor, and without assistance from them.

In the Hartford case it does not appear that Mr. Coburn, who is a very likable man, has done anything illegal, but certain acts were regarded by other members of the company as not for the best interests of the organization.

Baptist Church Interests. At the Thursday prayer meeting the pastor will read the Christmas story by Ralph Connor entitled "The Angel and the Star."

On Friday the Women's Missionary societies will meet at the home of Mrs. Daniel Spaulding. Mrs. Hammett is the leader.

The Crusaders will meet at the parsonage Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The hour they will gather around the Crusaders' Christmas tree.

Sunday at the morning service the pastor will speak on "The Messages of Christmas." The choir will render special music as follows: Anthem, Awake, For on Thy Strength, by Dudley Buck; Anthem, We Have Seen His Star, by Caleb Simpson; solo, by Mrs. Frost; The Birthday of the King, by Niedinger; anthem, O Little Town of Bethlehem, by H. J. Storck.

At the session of the Bible school there will also be special attention given to the day. The pastor will speak on "The Messages of Bethlehem."

At 7 o'clock a chorus of 25 voices will render the cantata "The Manger Throne," by Charles F. Manney. The order of service will be as follows: Introductory prelude, by Miss Millicent L. Swaffield; scripture and prayer, by Rev. W. D. Swaffield; baritone recitation, The Angel Gabriel, sung by Ralph Cram of Brown university; soprano solo, Hall Thon, Mrs. Frost; chorus, The Hymn of the Lord; alto and baritone solo, White All Things Keep Silence, Miss Harrington and Mr.



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The Christmas tree of the Sunday school will be held at 6 o'clock on Wednesday evening. The programme will be as follows: A Wish, Frances Tillingshast; Slighted, Beatrice Lindner; Six Stockings, Mildred Tillingshast; Harry Young, Frances Tillingshast; Maurice Boswell, Dorothy Burton; solo, Margaret Burton; What I'd Do, Arthur Williams; That's Santa, Arleen Anderson; solo, Alice Jordan; A Christmas Dream, Marjorie Gaffney; Changing the Subject, Edwin Davis.

PRIZE ESSAYS. High School Pupils Have Opportunity to Manifest Ability and Receive Pleading Rewards.

The Ladies Art club of Danielson offers a prize of \$5 to the pupils of Killingly High school for the best essay on the History of Civil Service Reform. Each essay must contain at least 1,000 and not more than 1,200 words. The essays are to be sent before March 1st, 1913, to Mrs. R. K. Bennett, chairman of essay committee, Danielson, Conn.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union of Danielson offers a prize of \$5 to the pupils of Killingly High school for the best essay on the Value of Total Abstinence to a Life. 2—Alcohol and the Laborer. 3—Alcohol and Crime. 4—Alcohol and Tobacco. 5—The National Government and the Trade in

Intoxicants. 6—The Decisions of the Courts With Reference to Intoxicants. Each essay must contain at least 1,000 and not more than 1,500 words. The essays are to be sent before March 1st, 1913, to Mrs. John A. Paine, Danielson, Conn.

The essay which wins this prize will be entered in the competition for the state prize of \$50.

The Connecticut society of the Colonial Dames of America offers to the high school pupils of this state a first prize of \$20, a second prize of \$10 and a third prize of \$5 for the best essays on any one of the following subjects: 1—Colonial Music and Musical Instruments. 2—The Church as a Center of the Town. Life of the Colonies. 3—Colonial Inns. 4—Medical Remedies Used by the Colonists. 5—Pirates of Colonial Days. Each essay must contain not less than 1,200 and not more than 1,500 words. The essays are to be sent before March 1st, 1913, to Mrs. Charles Foster Kent, 415 Humphrey St., New Haven, Conn.

The following conditions apply to each contest: Essays shall be graded, three-fourths on subject matter and one-fourth on style and grammatical excellence. No typewritten essays can be accepted, as spelling and handwriting are taken into consideration. A list of the authorities consulted should be given on the last page, and all direct quotations properly marked.

PUTNAM. Firemen Do Not Want Chief Wilson to Resign—Death of Mrs. John W. Ashworth—Elections in the Lodge—Wheaton Company Permanently Located.

T. W. Caperton, who has been spending a month in Putnam, has gone to Manchester, Conn., for the holidays. Leroy B. Gilchrist of Worcester was a visitor with friends in Putnam Wednesday.

with the firm of R. D. Bugbee for a number of years, is to leave here to enter the employ of a Hartford firm.

Plums Come Hard. Some democrats who are looking for government appointments in town in this senatorial district are finding out that some promises made before election are not anywhere near as valuable as expected. The promises have received what they wanted, however.

Miss Marion Mimes has gone to Ormond beach to spend the winter season. Putnam people are wondering whether Souvenir W. H. Taylor will endeavor to secure an appropriation from the coming legislature for the publication of the usual biennial edition of his Legislative History and Souvenir, which was so strongly opposed in some sections of the state two years ago. Mr. Taylor is now making his home in Hartford.

Sale of Spaulding Farm. Martha C. Pierson, Louisa Robbins, Erwin E. Robbins, Harriet M. Ross and John Ross, heirs of William H. Pierson, formerly of this city, have sold their farm, known as the Spaulding place, in Woodstock, to William Henry Taylor of this city, who recently purchased a box manufacturing business in Pawtucket and took possession of the same the first of this month, are to leave this town about January 1, to take charge of their new interests.

Funeral of Horace Randall. Funeral services for Horace Randall were held Wednesday in Woodstock, Rev. Mr. Pierce of the Woodstock Baptist church officiating. Burial was in Woodstock.

Athletic Club Pleased. Members discussing the star bout put on by the Putnam Social and Athletic club at Tuesday night's show commented with favor on the fine spirit and good nature with which Shea and Flannigan battled against each other for twelve rounds, smiling as if they were doing a practice workout, but boxing at top speed nevertheless. The bout was so good as could be seen anywhere in the country, according to men who should know.

Court Putnam's Officers.

Following are the newly elected officers of Court City of Putnam, P. of A.: Chief ranger, A. A. Brodeur; sub-chief ranger, Delmar Vena; treasurer, Dona Jolie; recording secretary, William Boushous; financial secretary, Thomas P. Ryan; senior woodward, A. Cotton; junior woodward, Eugene Alvord; senior beadle, Joseph Duane; junior beadle, John Daigle; trustee for three years, John F. Ferris; lecturer, Theodore Boulay.

Wheaton Company to Remain in Fish-er Shop.

At the old Fisher shoe shop, now occupied by the Wheaton Building and Lumber company, which it is said the concern may retain permanently as a location for its wood working business, machines have been put in running order and the company is slowly getting started along its usual lines again after having suffered heavy loss in the big fire. A lumber yard will be established as soon as is practical, it is understood.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. John W. Ashworth. Announcement has been made here of the death at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. P. Child, in Detroit, of Mrs. Ashworth, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church in Putnam. Mrs. Ashworth had been ill about two weeks. The body will be taken to Malos, N. Y., for burial. The Ashworth family resided in Putnam from 1891 to 1896.

R. A. Officers.

The following are the new officers of the Royal Arcanum: Representative to the grand council, William E. Davison; alternate, George W. Baker; regent, William Davison; vice regent, H. L. Converse; orator, L. H. Fuller; past regent, George W. Baker; secretary, E. M. Barney; collector, F. W. Seward; treasurer, F. D. Thayer; chaplain, J. Richard Carpenter; guide, S. W. Nell; warden, H. J. Thayer; trustee for three years, G. W. Gilpatrick. The officers will be installed January 6.

TRIBUTE TO CHIEF WILSON.

Every Fireman in the Department Indicates Confidence in and Respect for Him.

The following, presented to Mark H. Wilson, chief of the Putnam fire department, by members of the department at a conference Wednesday evening is self explanatory, tends to show how high Chief Wilson stands with his men, every one of whom without a single exception is a company signed the statement: Mark H. Wilson, Chief Engineer of Putnam Fire Department, Putnam, Conn. We, the undersigned, members of

the fire department of the City of Putnam, having learned that you are thinking of resigning as chief engineer of the Putnam fire department, and thinking that perhaps there may be some misunderstanding between some of the members of the department and yourself, take this opportunity of furnishing a testimonial of the respect which we have for you as our chief and of the confidence which we have in you for the proper performance of the duties of your office.

We understand that the past six weeks or two months has been an especially hard and trying time for a man in your position; and there have been various rumors afloat and, perhaps, some unjust criticism concerning the fire department, and for this reason we desire to assure you that every member of the department is right behind you, backing you up in the performance of your duties, that we have the utmost confidence in your ability and judgment in your position, and earnestly request that if you have seriously determined upon or taken any steps toward resigning from your position that you immediately reconsider such determination or action, and that you will remain as our chief throughout the present term, and we hope, for many succeeding terms.

Noted at Putnam, Conn., this 11th day of December, 1912. Sixty-seven names, including those of the assistant chiefs of the department, were appended to the foregoing, showing that everybody in the fire de-

partment wants Chief Wilson to retain his position.

Defective Chimney Blamed. At Eastford Tuesday a fire did \$1,300 damage when it destroyed a house, barn and frame building owned by J. J. Young, the house being his residence. The fire started in the house and it is supposed that it was due to a defective chimney. The shed was used as quarters for a soda bottling business. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

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